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Abstract

Letter is written by Robert J. Wells, who enlisted on June 5, 1861 at Lynchburg, Virginia as a Private in Company H of the 24th Virginia Infantry during the American Civil War. The letter is written to "Cousin Louise" and dates from November 30, 1864.

Creator

Wells, Robert J.

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Biographical Note

During the American Civil War, Robert J. Wells enlisted in Company H of the 24th Virginia Infantry as a Private in Lynchburg, Virginia on June 5, 1861. His residence was not listed. He was hospitalized in Richmond and Lynchburg in 1862. Wells was paroled on May 13, 1865.

Scope and Content

This letter is written to "Cousin Louise" by Robert J. Wells on November 30, 1864 during the American Civil War. Wells writes about fighting a Black regiment on the 28th of November and being shelled by "yanks." Wells also complains of his "Sweetheart" who has "been punishing me too greatly," saying she does not write to him often enough. This is too much to deal with among the other privations of camp life. Wells also mentions attempts to secure the effects of Cousin Louise's brother who was killed in battle. Wells discusses some expectation of getting his knapsack and sending it from Richmond. Wells closes the letter asking Cousin Lou to tell his "Sweet" that he has "always carried her with me." Wells mentions receiving a letter from Cousin Charley and gives his regards to Cousin Shug.

Keywords

Civil War

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Letter

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